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The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- 1. USPTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form PTO/SB/05;
- 2. 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time;
- 3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

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Jennifer L. LUDINGTON, Ted T. FUJIMOTO and Frank P. HOLLINGER the application comprising:

- a. an Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);
- b. specification containing:
 - i. 18 pages of description prior to the claims;

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- ii. 5 pages of claims (25 claims);
- iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- c. 16 sheets of drawings (Figures 1, 2A-2B, 3-6, 7A-7C, 8A-8B and 9-13); and
- 4. Two (2) return postcards.

The name of the assignee is **Locus Pharmaceuticals**, Inc..

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